



46th ANNUAL MEETING
October 19-21, 2008
Spa Hotel Caribia
Kongressikuja 1
FIN-20540 Turku, Finland

REGISTRATION

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REGISTRATION FEES*

BEFORE OR ON September 15, 2008

Members 230 US \$ Students 130 US \$
Non-Members 310 US \$

AFTER September 15, 2008

Members 330 US \$ Students 210 US \$
Non-Members 410 US \$

Total \$ _____

*The registration fees include meeting space and equipment, lunch & coffee break each day, and a reception on Sunday evening. *Member registration is available ONLY to members who are not delinquent in their membership dues.*

Please check here for the vegetarian option for the lunch (Sunday-Tuesday).

FOR STUDENT: Name of University or College _____

- Registrant is a full time student in (department) _____
- Signature of Department Chair _____

• Name of Department Chair _____

MEMBERSHIP

Annual Membership Fee \$100 US Associate Member \$50 US

Total \$_____

Membership dues for 2008 must be paid in order to receive member registration rates. If you haven't already paid your membership fee, please do so now. If you have already paid your 2008 dues and you submit payment now, it will be credited to your 2009 membership.

I am not currently a member but would like to be contacted by the membership committee.

PAYMENT

TOTAL OF ALL PAYMENTS **Grand Total** _____\$

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OTHER INFORMATION

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Venue

The Academy of Aphasia conference will be held at the Caribia Hotel which is a spa hotel near the centre of Turku. It includes a high-standard hotel, conference facilities, and restaurants. The famous spa section (free for the hotel guests, 12 euros for others) includes eight pools, three water slides, a warm outdoor pool with caves, a junior pool and children's pool with a small water slide, a fitness pool, a cold pool beside the warm outdoor pool, a Finnish sauna, a steam sauna, and a bar. See the hotel website for further information, including 360-degree panoramic images of the premises.

<http://www.holidayclubspahotels.com/index.php?id=1394>

Spa Hotel Caribia, Turku, Finland



The Spa area



The Congress auditorium

Getting Here

By Air

Turku airport can be reached by direct flights from Helsinki, Stockholm (Sweden), and Copenhagen (Denmark). Depending on flight timetables, chances are that you find a good flight connection via one of these three cities on your way to and from Turku. The small

airport at Turku is about 8 kilometres from the city centre and the congress hotel Spa Hotel Caribia. You can take a taxi directly to the congress hotel (located about 2 kilometres from the city centre) for approximately 20 euros. There is also a bus connection to the Market Square at the city centre (2.50 euros). From the Market Square you can reach the congress hotel by buses 30, 50, 51, 53 and 54 (confirm with the driver that your bus is going to the direction of Hotel Caribia! There is a bus stop right in front of the congress hotel). If your arrival time to Turku Airport is after the last bus and there is no taxi to be found, you can order one by using the free-of-charge service phone which is located near the exit on the arrivals level of the terminal.

If your final destination is the Helsinki-Vantaa airport, you can also take an express bus leaving approximately every hour to the Turku bus station. Please note that there may be one bus transfer on the way (you just move yourself from one bus to another and your items stored in the luggage compartment of the bus will be transferred to the Turku-bound bus by the personnel). The bus trip takes about 2.5 hours. You can then take a taxi from the Turku bus station to the congress hotel (about 1.5 kilometres).

By Train

In case you spend some time in Helsinki prior to the meeting, you can also take a train to Turku. There are two railway stations in Turku: the first one, called the Kupittaa station, is a bit closer to the congress hotel than the Main Railway station. You can then take a taxi from the Kupittaa station to the congress hotel (about 1.5 kilometres).

By Ferry

There are two cruise lines, Viking Line and Silja Line, that have regular connections between Stockholm and Turku. The port of Turku is approximately 2 kilometres from the city centre and you can either take a taxi directly to the congress hotel or a local bus to the Market Square at the city centre.

Accommodations

A number of rooms have been blocked for the congress days 19.-21.10. 2008 in the **Spa Hotel Caribia**, the conference venue (the number of available rooms in the surrounding dates is limited due to the popularity of the spa). Note that the congress is planned to start at 2:30 pm on Sunday October 19th, enabling travel even at the same day. The planned closing of the conference will be on Tuesday October 21st at 4:30 p.m. The hotel booking takes place by sending an email to myynti.caribia@holidayclubhotels.fi where you specify the dates and the type of room you want to have (do **NOT** use their online booking system in the Internet!). It is important that you add the code "AOA2008" in your email to identify yourself as a participant at the Academy of Aphasia meeting. This code is also needed to receive the conference rate (105 euros per night for a one-person Standard room, 120 euros for a two-person Standard room, 140 euros for a Superior room, 250 euros for a Suite). It is also possible to do the hotel reservation by phone. For information on the rooms, please see the hotel website: <http://www.holidayclubspahotels.com/index.php?id=1394>. Note that **rooms must be booked two months in advance, i.e., no later than August 19th, 2008.**

We have also blocked rooms in two hotels at the city centre where the sights, shopping and restaurants (except for the Spa) are located. Their congress rates are lower but the standard of quality is as good as at the congress venue. These are the hotel Centro (<http://www.centrohotel.com/en/index.html>) and the hotel Scandic Julia (<http://www.scandichotels.com/Hotels/Countries/Finland/Turku/Hotels/Scandic-Julia/>).

They are less than 2 kilometers away from the Congress Hotel that can be easily reached by bus, taxi (ca 10 minutes) or walk (ca 20 minutes). Booking should be made by email or by phone, **NOT** via the online Internet booking systems (Hotel Centro email address: centro@centrohotel.com; Hotel Julia email address: julia@scandichotels.com). To identify yourself as the Academy of Aphasia participant and to receive the congress rate (69-85 euros per night for one person), add the code "AOA2008" to you email message. It is possible to do the hotel reservation by phone, too. Also for the Centro Hotel and for the Scandic Julia Hotel, **the deadline for bookings is August 19th, 2008**. For a list of about 15 other available hotels in Turku, see <http://www.turkutouring.fi/public/default.aspx?nodeid=8120&culture=en-US&contentlan=2>.

Local Attractions

Turku Cathedral & Cathedral Museum

The Turku Cathedral is the national shrine of Finland. Dedicated to the Virgin Mary and Finland's first bishop, St. Henrik, the church was inaugurated in 1300. The Cathedral Museum in the southern gallery takes the visitor back in times to the 14th century.

Turku Castle and Historical Museum

The history of Turku Castle stretches back to the 1280s. The permanent exhibitions in the bailey illustrate the history and culture of Finland, and Turku in particular. The castle also offers theme exhibitions, concerts and events for children and adults alike.

Aboa Vetus & Ars Nova Museum

Aboa Vetus & Ars Nova, a museum of archaeological history and modern art, is located in the Turku Art Palace building by the River Aurajoki. Part of the museum is the original ruins of medieval Turku, which were discovered in conjunction with renovation work and subsequently given a worthy setting.

Wäinö Aaltonen Museum of Art

Museum building, named after the famous Turku artist Wäinö Aaltonen, is situated by the River Aurajoki. In addition to temporary exhibitions the museum hosts concerts, special theme days and other events. The museum café and museum shop are open to the public as well as to the museum visitors.

Turku Art Museum

Turku Art Museum has since 1904 been one of the most influential institutions in the local and national art scene. The internationally acclaimed collection of the museum comprises old masterpieces as well as important contemporary works.

Forum Marinum

A maritime centre with a museum ship fleet and exhibitions by the Aura river. Other services include a souvenir and bookstore and Café-Restaurant Daphne.

Luostarinmäki Handicrafts Museum

The Luostarinmäki hill area comprises some 30 workshops, which illustrate the trades and way of life in the pre-industrial era. There is a post office and two shops selling the wares made at the museum.

The city of Naantali

Naantali is a small old town ca half an hour away from Turku. One of the oldest cities in Finland, Naantali was founded around the mediaeval convent church that still dominates its skyline. The main attractions include the charming old town with well-kept wooden houses, the seafront, some nice restaurants, cafés and small boutiques.

Other places worth the visit

While travelling to Turku, you may also take the opportunity to visit one or several of the following interesting cities. Depending on your flight itinerary, you may have Helsinki or Stockholm as your stopover places. **Helsinki**, the capital of Finland, is 165 kilometres (about 100 miles) from Turku and e.g. the train connections are fast and convenient. The Helsinki metropolitan area has over one million inhabitants and the city itself is beautifully located by the sea. See <http://www.hel2.fi/tourism/EN/matko.asp>. The Helsinki visit could easily be combined with a trip to **Tallinn**, the capital of Estonia, as there are many daily connections across the narrow Gulf of Finland both by passenger ferries (ca 4 hours) and by high speed vessels (ca 1.5 hours). Tallinn has one of the best preserved medieval town centres in northern Europe. See <http://www.tourism.tallinn.ee/>. Also **St. Petersburg** in Russia is not too far away from Helsinki with e.g. a train trip taking about 6 hours. St. Petersburg was the capital of the Russian Empire for 200 years and offers a lot of sights (e.g., the Hermitage, beautiful architecture) and a glimpse on the life in modern-day Russia. See <http://petersburgcity.com/>. **Stockholm**, the bustling capital of Sweden, with a medieval city centre and many things to see, is across the Archipelago Sea. The flight between Stockholm and Turku takes only about 30 minutes, and there are also daily connections by luxury liners between Stockholm and Turku (the Viking Line and the Silja Line; the duration of the sea voyage is about 12 hours). For all of the above, remember to take into account any visa regulations that may apply to you.